

Beyond the Neon

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September 2006 Calendar of Events

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Ballet Under the Stars

Cosponsored with Nevada Ballet Theatre

Saturday, September 9, 8 pm (gates open at 6:30 pm)

Hills Park in Summerlin

Hillpointe Road west of Rampart Boulevard

Annual eclectic program includes "Vegas: the Early Years," Grand pas Classique, Black Swan pas de deux, "Fairy Doll," "Don Quixote" pas de deux, and "In the Mood." Advance tickets available at Nevada Ballet Theatre studios. Call **243-2623** for information.

\$15 adult, \$5 children 12 & under

Fiestas Patrias

Mexican Independence Celebration

Cosponsored with the Mexican Patriotic Committee

Sunday, September 10, 10 am-7 pm

Freedom Park

East Washington Avenue and Mojave Road

Join in the celebration of Hispanic culture through exhibits, displays, food and music. Call **649-1198** for information.

\$5 adults, children 12 and under free

Marta Gomez

Sunday, September 10, 3 pm

Reed Whipple Cultural Center

821 Las Vegas Boulevard North, 229-6211

Discover the music of Colombian-born Marta Gomez! This young singer and songwriter and her band are earning fans wherever they perform their distinctive Latin American rhythms. Taking influences from South American countries, mixing them with the sounds of Mexico and Cuba, and throwing in some jazz and pop, the group traverses a broad spectrum of melodies and refrains.

Tickets: \$10 advance, \$15 performance day

Viva México La Rondalla and Mi Tierra de Miguel Curiel

Mexican Guitar and Mariachi Concert

Friday, September 15, 7 pm

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center

250 North Eastern Avenue, **229-1515**

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month listening to traditional Mexican guitar (La Rondalla) and mariachi (Mi Tierra) bands featuring the center's talented students under the direction of Miguel Curiel. Songs are performed in Spanish.

Tickets: \$5, children 12 & under free

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The Poets' Corner

Friday, September 15, 7:30 pm

West Las Vegas Arts Center

947 West Lake Mead Boulevard, **229-4800**

Keith Brantley and Pendelita Toney host a forum for established poets and open mic participants.
Free admission

Pacific Islands Festival – Ho'olaule'a 2006

Cosponsored with the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club

Saturday & Sunday, September 16 & 17, 9 am-6 pm

Lorenzi Park

West Washington Avenue west of Rancho Drive

Soak up the atmosphere of the Pacific Islands: live entertainment, island crafts, boutiques, games, traditional dances, hands-on demonstrations, and exotic foods. Call **382-6939** for information.

Tickets: \$3, children 14 & under free

Hapa in Concert

Saturday, September 16, 8 pm (gates open 7 pm)

Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park

Twin Lakes Drive off West Washington Avenue, **229-1087**

Spend a warm summer evening listening to the sounds of Polynesia, performed by "Hawaii's hottest group" (Billboard magazine). Barry Flanagan, Nathan Aweau and Charles Ka'upu recently won the Na Hoku Hanohano (Hawaiian Grammy) awards for Album of the Year and Contemporary Hawaiian Album of the Year. Aweau was named Male Vocalist of the Year. Call **229-6383** for tickets.

Tickets: \$10 advance, \$15 door

Gospel Fest

Saturday, September 23, 2-5 pm

West Las Vegas Arts Center

947 West Lake Mead Boulevard, **229-4800**

Enjoy some of the best gospel talent in Las Vegas.

Free admission

Brass Roots Quintet

Sunday, September 24, 3 pm

Reed Whipple Cultural Center

821 Las Vegas Boulevard North, **229-6211**

Trombonist Walter Boenig leads the group in its signature, eclectic mix of music.

Music provided in part by a grant from the Music Performance Fund and obtained with the cooperation of the Musicians Union of Las Vegas, Local No. 369, of the American Federation of Musicians.

Free admission

Sea People...Voices from the Deep pt. #5 by N'Gabre

September 27-Novbember 12

Reception: Saturday, September 30, 2-5 pm

West Las Vegas Arts Center

947 West Lake Mead Boulevard, **229-4800**

Local artist N'Gabre creates inspirational assemblages, sculptures and installations using natural and organic materials, primarily from the sea.

Free admission

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Jimmy Wilkins' New Life Orchestra

Saturday, September 30, 7 pm (gates open 6 pm)

Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park

Twin Lakes Drive off West Washington Avenue, **229-1087**

Bring picnics, blankets and/or lawn chairs to listen to swinging, jazzy arrangements performed by Las Vegas favorite, trombonist Jimmy Wilkins and his orchestra.

Free admission

Old Time Barn Dance

Cosponsored with Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers

Saturday, September 30, 7-10 pm

Charleston Heights Arts Center

800 South Brush Street, **229-6383**

Guest band performs music for square dancing, mixers, contras, waltzes and polkas. Free dance lesson at 6:30 pm! No partner or experience needed.

Tickets: \$6 adults, \$5 members, \$3 students, active military & children

PROGRAMS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.